

<u>PATENT</u>

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Makoto Nihei, et al.

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For: LASER DRIVER, OPTICAL DISK APPARATUS USING THE SAME, AND

LASER CONTROL METHOD

Customer No.: 20350

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Examiner:

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 6, 2003, please enter the

following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.